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Testimony in support of H.B. 7218, H.B. 7223, H.B. 7219, and H.B. 60

Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, ranking members Kissel and Rebimbas and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

My name is Phyllis Nauts, I am from Cornwall, and I am a member of Democracy First.

I am testifying in support of H.B. 7218 and H.B. 7223. Safe storage of guns, in the home and in vehicles, will save lives, and make it very clear to gun owners that if they don't lock up their firearms, they are responsible and will be held accountable for deaths and injuries that occur as a result. Given how many incidents of suicides, mass shootings, child deaths and gun violence occur in the United States, it seems unconscionable that these laws aren't already on the books.

I also support H.B. 7219.Incredibly, there is no law to ban or otherwise regulate ghost guns, which are unregistered and fairly easy to assemble.

Lastly, I support H.B. 60. No one should be allowed to refuse to show a permit to carry.

I support these bills because I have been devastated by the daily reports of deaths. Countries with responsible gun laws such as the above four are not bombarded with these statistics of mass shootings, suicides, and gun deaths. We can prevent them.

Therefore, I urge you to report these four bills, and urge you to favorably vote them out of the Judiciary Committee.

Thank you.

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